

House Resolution No. 4369

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Jodie Adams recently enhanced her already impressive record of accomplishment when she was selected to receive a 2007 Missourian Award by the American Heart Association; and

Whereas, Jodie Adams, of Springfield, Missouri, is the Director of Parks and a member of the Springfield-Greene County Park Board responsible for over ninety parks, five hundred programs and activities, and forty facilities with an operating budget of \$33 million; and

Whereas, Jodie Adams is a graduate of Missouri State University with a degree in recreation and administration, and she has completed post-graduate work at Missouri State University as well as the National Recreational Parks Association (NRPA) Executive Development School, in Albuquerque, New Mexico; Revenue Management School, in Estes Park, Colorado; and Southwest Training Institute, in Lake Texoma, Oklahoma; and

Whereas, Jodie Adams is the member of the NRPA Board of Trustees, Professional-at-Large and Executive Committee member, as well as a member of numerous other NRPA committees including Finance, Personnel, and National Congress, and she currently serves as chair of the Board Transition Plan-Certification Workgroup; and

Whereas, the recipient of many illustrious awards and citations, Jodie Adams has been honored with the 2007 Fellow Award from the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association; named 2001 Executive of the Year by the Certified Administrative Assistants Association; Outstanding Young Professional from the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association; and the National Sports Official Recognition from the National Federation of High Schools Association, among many others; and

Whereas, Missourian Awards nominees have made an outstanding contribution to the state or nation in the areas of civics, business, education, politics, or the arts by dedicating their lives to improving the quality of life in this state through diligent work and charitable ideals; and

Whereas, past Missourian Awards winners have included George Washington Carver, General Omar Bradley, Thomas Hart Benton, Walter Cronkite, President Harry S Truman, General John J. Pershing, Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton, and Walt Disney; and

Whereas, Missourian Awards have been presented annually for fourteen years by the American Heart Association to acknowledge the most accomplished citizens of the state of Missouri:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the well-deserved selection of Jodie Adams for a 2007 Missourian Award from the American Heart Association; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Jodie Adams.

Offered by _____
Representative Charlie Denison
District No. 135

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4369, adopted August 1, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker